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Subject and Dr. William HOETTL has a lengthy meeting in Linz the 2nd week in May. The meeting was arranged by Dr. Otto SCHOTT, business manager of the NIEBLUNGEN Pub House in Linz (in which HOETTL holds a 60% interest). HOETTL has disapproved of subject from the beginning and once characterized subject as the "dumbest intelligence agent in Middle Europe." SCHOTT has been at great pains to settle differences between them; all three graduated the same year from the Univ of Vienna and all attended the Austrian Institute of Historical Research and are well known to each other from those days. SCHOTT is a member of subject's intelligence group and is paid by this unit. At one time subject was given a cover position with the SPECK Book Service, directed by SCHOTT and formed by the NIEBLUNGEN Pub House. Subject received few payments in recent months but he now has received considerable means and has been given the assignment of constructing his apparatus. It is not known if HOETTL knows that SCHOTT works for subject. SCHOTT, obviously following an assignment given him by subject, reportedly has been successful in lessening the suspicion that Kurt WESSELY is an AVO agent, held by HOETTL, and that WESSELY had been reporting on HOETTL's acts in Alt Aussee to the Soviets.

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